PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD'S DECISION

APPELLANT: Afshin Mansoorieh DOCKET NO.: 04-23583.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 04-21-306-006-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Afshin Mansoorieh, the appellant, by attorney Rusty A. Payton of the Law Offices of Rusty A. Payton, P.C., Chicago, Illinois; and the Cook County Board of Review.

The subject property is a 37-year old, two-story frame and masonry dwelling containing 2,391 square feet of living area with a partial, finished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace, and a two-car garage.

The appellant submitted evidence before the Property Tax Appeal Board claiming unequal treatment in the assessment process as the basis of the appeal. In support of the equity argument, the appellant submitted a grid analysis detailing four suggested comparable properties. On the appellant's map, one comparable is located in close proximity of the subject, and the other three comparables are located in the same general area as the subject. The comparables are two-story frame and masonry dwellings that are 33 to 38 years old. Three comparables have partial basements, and one has an unfinished basement. Two comparables have central air conditioning, and two have fireplaces. Photographs supplied by the appellant indicate that comparable has a two-car garage. The dwellings have living areas that contain 2,668 to 2,872 square feet, and their improvement assessments range from \$11.86 to \$12.90 per square foot. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$15.99 per square foot. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's improvement assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" wherein the subject's assessment was disclosed. In support of the subject's assessment, the board of review offered

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Based on the facts and exhibits presented, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>no change</u> in the assessment of the property as established by the <u>Cook</u> County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$ 10,464 IMPR.: \$ 38,236 TOTAL: \$ 48,700

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

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property characteristic sheets and a spreadsheet detailing four suggested comparable properties that are located two to five blocks from the subject. The comparables are two-story frame and masonry dwellings that are 36 to 38 years old. Three comparables have full, unfinished basement and one has a partial, unfinished basement. Each comparable has a garage and central air conditioning, and three have fireplaces. The dwellings have living areas that contain 2,476 to 2,626 square feet, and improvement assessments that range from \$15.73 to \$16.80 per square foot. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

After reviewing the record and considering the evidence, Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this appeal. The Property Tax Appeal Board further finds that a reduction in the subject's The appellant's argument was assessment is not warranted. unequal treatment in the assessment process. The Illinois Supreme Court has held that taxpayers who object to an assessment on the basis of lack of uniformity bear the burden of proving the disparity of assessment valuations by clear and convincing evidence. Kankakee County Board of Review v. Property Tax Appeal Board, 131 Ill.2d 1 (1989). The evidence must demonstrate a consistent pattern of assessment inequities within the assessment jurisdiction. After an analysis of the assessment data, the Board finds the appellant has not overcome this burden.

Both parties presented assessment data on a total of eight equity The appellant's comparables and the board of comparables. review's comparable three were significantly larger than the subject and received reduced weight in the Board's analysis. board of review's comparables one, two, and four were the most the subject in location, age, and physical characteristics. These comparables had improvement assessment of \$15.75 to \$16.80 per square foot that supports the subject's improvement assessment of \$15.99 per square foot. considering adjustments and the differences in both parties' suggested comparables when compared to the subject property, the Board finds the subject's per square foot improvement assessment is supported by the most comparable properties contained in the record, and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

As a result of this analysis, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds the appellant has not adequately demonstrated that the subject dwelling was inequitably assessed by clear and convincing evidence, and a reduction is not warranted.

This is a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board are subject to review in the Circuit Court or Appellate Court under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.) and section 16-195 of the Property Tax Code.

Chairman

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Member

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DISSENTING:

CERTIFICATION

As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and the keeper of the Records thereof, I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Final Administrative Decision of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this said office.

Date: September 28, 2007

Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

"If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel after the deadline for filing

complaints with the Board of Review or after adjournment of the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year are being considered, the taxpayer may, within 30 days after the date of written notice of the Property Tax Appeal Board's decision, appeal the assessment for the subsequent year directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A $\frac{\text{PETITION AND EVIDENCE}}{\text{30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE ENCLOSED DECISION IN ORDER TO APPEAL THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR.$

Based upon the issuance of a lowered assessment by the Property Tax Appeal Board, the refund of paid property taxes is the responsibility of your County Treasurer. Please contact that office with any questions you may have regarding the refund of paid property taxes.